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EXHIBIT: #VII.C.

TO: Members of the State Board of Education

FROM: William H. Beardsley, Acting Commissioner*

DATE: January 13, 2016

SUBJECT: Consideration of the Report of Findings by a State Board Approved Review

Team for the Educator Preparation Program at University of New England.

BACKGROUND: A State Board approved team visited the University of New England on October 25 through October 28, 2015 to review the undergraduate and post baccalaureate Teacher Certification Program housed in the College of Arts and Sciences (CAS) and graduate programs of Masters in Education in Reading Specialist/Literacy Coach and Certificate of Advanced Graduate Study in Advanced Educational Leadership (CAGS) in the College of Graduate and Professional Studies (CGPS). At the December 9, 2015 the State Board of Education voted to receive the report of finds submitted by the approved review team.

The programs examined during the review are included in the following chart:

Undergraduate Teacher Certification: (CAS)	Post baccalaureate Teacher Certification Program: (TCP) (CAS)	Graduate Programs prepare candidates for Certification (CGPS)
Elementary/Middle (grades K-8)	Elementary/Middle (grades K-8)	Master of Science in Education in Reading Specialist/Literacy Coach grades K-12
Art Education (grades K-12)	Secondary (grades 7-12)	Certificate of Advanced Graduate Study (CAGS) in Advanced Educational Leadership (AEL)
Secondary Education (grades 7-12) in English/Language Arts, Life Science, Mathematics, or Physical Science, Social Studies	Art Education (grades K-12)	• \

<u>RECOMMENDATION</u>: That the State Board of Education accept the recommendation of the University of New England program approval visitation team which calls for full five-year approval (Spring 2016 through September 2020).

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